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Sir:

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This application is the U.S. national phase of PCT Application No. PCT/JP2004/013793 filed September 22, 2004. Betancourt L.E., et al. "Bedingungen des mikrobiellen Verderbs von gruenem Kaffee.1. Mitterung:Sorptionsverhalten und Schimmel bildung": Dtsch Lebensm Rundsch, 1983, Vol. 79, No. 11, pages 366 to 369; Avallone S. et al., 'Fate of Mucilage Cell Wall Polysaccharides during Coffee Fermentation.', J. Agric. Food Chem., 2001, Vol. 49, No. 11, pages 5556 to 5559; JP 9-502099A; JP 1-112950A; and Naito M., 'Hakkoshita Seisen Coffee Mame, Daizu Oyobi Komenuka Extract no Ko-Atherome Keisei Koka', Food Sci. Technolo. Res., 2003/05, Vol. 9, No. 2, pages 170 to 175 were cited in an International Search Report (ISR), dated December 28, 2004 and in an International Preliminary Report on Patentability/Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, dated June 26, 2006 in the corresponding PCT application and are relevant for the reasons indicated therein. Anti-Atherogenic Effects of Fermented Fresh Coffee Bean, Soybean and Rice Bran Extracts is submitted herewith as the English-Language translation for 'Hakkoshita Seisen Coffee Mame, Daizu Oyobi Komenuka Extract no Ko-Atherome Keisei Koka'. A copy of the ISR and Written Opinion are submitted herewith.

Additionally, United States Patent No. 5,773,065 is submitted herewith as the English-language equivalent to JP 9-502099A.

JP H1-112950 was also cited on page 1-2 of the specification and is further relevant for the reasons indicated therein.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), no fee is due for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, which is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. However, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650.

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